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## **EMPLOYEES AT U.S. ATTORNEY'S OFFICE SERVE IN GLOBAL WAR ON TERROR**

PHOENIX - U. S. Attorney's Office Public Affairs Officer Sandy Raynor and Assistant U.S. Attorney Reid Pixler are pulling double duty serving their country. Pixler is currently serving in Iraq as a Department of Justice Resident Legal Advisor. Pixler, who has two sons serving in the U.S. Army, volunteered to go to Iraq for one year to assist in building the court system in the province of Nineveh. His predecessor in that job left Iraq while the insurgents were planning to kill him using an explosive device. Reid wanted to serve in Iraq, because he believes that he can help to make the region a better place.

Raynor, also known as Lt. Col. Raynor of the U.S. Army Reserves, recently turned over command of the Army Reserve's 301<sup>st</sup> Military Intelligence Battalion in Phoenix whose mission is to provide intelligence support to military units in the Pacific Theater. Raynor, who has spent almost 21 years in active and Reserve service, was deployed in 2002 for one year to support the Global War on Terror as an Army Intelligence officer. Now she is being deployed for one year to serve as the military Public Affairs Officer in the U.S. Embassy in Manila, Philippines. Raynor left the office on July 5, 2006 to begin her year overseas.

Paul K. Charlton, U.S. Attorney for the District of Arizona, stated of these dedicated public servants, "It is a privilege to work with outstanding citizens and federal employees of this caliber. Their willingness to further serve their country by working in dangerous locations under dangerous conditions speaks volumes of their character and patriotism. I am proud that they are part of the U.S. Attorney's Office."

Other U.S. Attorney's Office employees who have served in the Global War on Terror include: Assistant U.S. Attorney John Lopez who spent six months in Iraq in 2005 as part of the initial group from the Department of Justice which lay the foundation for the Iraq Regime Crimes Liaison Office (RCLO). The RCLO operates in Iraq to assist and advise the Iraqi Special Tribunal, the Iraqi court charged with investigating and trying members of the former regime for war crimes, crimes against humanity and genocide; and Assistant U.S. Attorney, Steve Logan, who served in Iraq deployed as a part of the Marine Corps Judge Advocate General (JAG) Corps from February to September 2004. While deployed to Iraq for six months with the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Expeditionary Force (out of Camp Pendleton, Calif.), (then Maj. and now Lt. Col.) Logan served in Fallujah where he was responsible for defense services for sailors and Marines serving in theater.

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